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From: Reynolds, Thomas
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 4:06:19 PM
Subject: RE: Statement on NM Well Water Use

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From: EOC Public Information <EOC_Public_Information@epa.gov>
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I'm sending this to Jeff to post to website.

From: Purchia, Liz
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 11:55 AM
To: EOC Public Information; Senn, John; Colaizzi, Jennifer C.; Gray, David; Harrison, Melissa; StClair, Christie; Keener, Bill; Daguiard, Robert; Higuchi, Dean; Maier, Brent; Harris-Bishop, Rusty; Mogharabi, Nahal; Hull, George; Smith, Paula; Russo, Rebecca; Distefano, Nichole;

Reynolds, Thomas

Subject: Statement on NM Well Water Use

This has been approved for use with reporters, congressionals, etc. if asked about the NM decision to reopen well waters.

EPA Statement on New Mexico Reopening Private Domestic Water Well Use

Today, New Mexico announced its determination that private domestic water well use along the Animas River should resume based on water quality sampling results collected by both New Mexico Environment Department and the EPA.

Reopening private domestic water well use is a state and local decision and we believe they have taken appropriate steps in arriving at this this decision. EPA sampling results from the river collected last week similarly show that water quality conditions are returning toward pre-event conditions.

We know the state has gone through a deliberative process in making this decision. EPA will continue to sample, analyze, and make data available to support local decision makers moving forward to allow them to make the best informed decisions.